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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
REQUEST FOR FILING APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)
WITHOUT FILING FEE OR EXECUTED INVENTOR'S DECLARATION**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Atty. Dkt. 1561-71

Date: April 26, 2001

Sir:

This is a request for filing a new PATENT APPLICATION under Rule 53(b) entitled:

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without a filing fee and/or without an executed inventor's oath/declaration.

This application is made by the below identified inventor(s). Attached hereto are the following papers:

- ☒ An abstract together with
34 pages of specification and claims including
45 numbered claims and also attached is/are
20 sheets of accompanying drawings.
☐ This application is based on the following prior foreign application(s):

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respectively, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application, and priority is hereby claimed therefrom.

- ☐ This application is based on the following prior provisional application(s):

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- ☐ Certified copy/ies of foreign applications attached.

This application is a ☐ continuation/☐ division/☐ continuation-in-part of application Serial No. , filed

Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line: --This application is a ☐ continuation/☐ division/☐ continuation-in-part of application Serial No. , filed , the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application.--

Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line: --This is a continuation of PCT application No. , filed , the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application.--

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Preliminary amendment to claims (attached hereto), to be entered before calculation of the fee.

Also attached: ☐ **Information Disclosure Statement**; ☐ **Non-Publication Request**; ☐ **Other**:

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